Saskatchewan Labour Force Statistics

April 2014

UNADJUSTED DATA

According to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey for the time period covering April 13 to 19, 2014, there were 557,000 persons employed in Saskatchewan during April 2014, an increase of 4,800 from March 2014 and 8,500 more than the number employed in April 2013.

Agricultural employment was 43,700 persons in April 2014, up 2,700 from the March 2014 level and 3,700 more than the April 2013 agricultural employment level of 40,000. Non-agricultural employment was 513,300 persons in April 2014. This is an increase of 2,100 from the March 2014 non-agriculture employment level of 511,200 and 4,800 more than April 2013.

The Saskatchewan unemployment rate for April 2014 was 3.7 percent. This is a decrease of 0.9 percentage points from the March 2014 rate of 4.6 percent and 0.7 percentage points lower than the April 2013 level of 4.4 percent.

Saskatchewan's labour force decreased by 400 to 578,400 persons in April 2014 from 578,800 persons in March 2014. This is 4,800 more than the April 2013 labour force of 573,600 persons.

The Saskatchewan participation rate fell 0.2 percentage points to 68.9 percent in April 2014 from 69.1 percent in March 2014. The April 2013 participation rate for Saskatchewan was 69.8 percent.

There were 21,400 persons unemployed in Saskatchewan during April 2014. This is a decrease of 5,200 from March 2014 and is 3,700 less than the number unemployed in April 2013.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

On a seasonally adjusted basis there were 561,300 persons employed in Saskatchewan in April 2014, up 3,000 from the March 2014 level of 558,300 and is up 8,300 from the April 2013 employment level of 553,000 persons.

The Saskatchewan seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for April 2014 was 3.4 percent. This is a decrease of 1.1 percentage points from the March 2014 rate of 4.5 percent and 0.6 percentage points lower than the April 2013 rate of 4.0 percent.

CANADIAN DATA

Canadian employment increased by 79,900 persons in April 2014 to 17,627,900 persons from 17,548,000 persons in March 2014. In April 2013, there were 17,490,100 persons employed in Canada.

Canada's unemployment rate decreased 0.2 percentage points in April 2014 to 7.2 percent from the March 2014 level of 7.4 percent. In April 2013, Canada's unemployment rate was also 7.4 percent.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Canada was 6.9 percent in April 2014. This is unchanged from March 2014 and 0.3 percentage points lower than the April 2013 level of 7.2 percent.

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TABLE 1

SUMMARY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, CANADA AND THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES

	April 2014	March 2014	April 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
CANADA					
Labour Force ('000)	19,001.1	18,941.9	18,893.8	59.2	107.3
Employed ('000)	17,627.9	17,548.0	17,490.1	79.9	137.8
Full-Time ('000)	14,134.7	14,037.3	14,079.6	97.4	55.1
Part-Time ('000)	3,493.2	3,510.7	3,410.4	-17.5	82.8
Unemployed ('000)	1,373.3	1,393.9	1,403.7	-20.6	-30.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.2	7.4	7.4	-0.2	-0.2
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	6.9	6.9	7.2	0.0	-0.3
Participation Rate (%)	65.6	65.5	66.1	0.1	-0.5
SASKATCHEWAN					
Labour Force ('000)	578.4	578.8	573.6	-0.4	4.8
Employed ('000)	557.0	552.2	548.5	4.8	8.5
Full-Time ('000)	448.5	445.7	444.1	2.8	4.4
Part-Time ('000)	108.6	106.6	104.4	2.0	4.2
Unemployed ('000)	21.4	26.6	25.1	-5.2	-3.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.7	4.6	4.4	-0.9	-0.7
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	3.4	4.5	4.0	-1.1	-0.6
Participation Rate (%)	68.9	69.1	69.8	-0.2	-0.9
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Labour Force ('000)	2,347.9	2,351.2	2,259.5	-3.3	88.4
Employed ('000)	2,228.0	2,233.6	2,157.3	-5.6	70.7
Full-Time ('000)	1,832.4	1,859.7	1,824.2	-27.3	8.2
Part-Time ('000)	395.6	373.9	333.0	21.7	62.6
Unemployed ('000)	119.9	117.5	102.2	2.4	17.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.1	5.0	4.5	0.1	0.6
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	4.7	4.9	4.4	-0.2	0.3
Participation Rate (%)	72.1	72.5	71.8	-0.4	0.3
MANITOBA					
Labour Force ('000)	661.9	658.9	661.5	3.0	0.4
Employed ('000)	622.6	621.8	623.5	0.8	-0.9
Full-Time ('000)	495.5	496.4	495.7	-0.9	-0.2
Part-Time ('000)	127.1	125.4	127.8	1.7	-0.7
Unemployed ('000)	39.3	37.0	38.0	2.3	1.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.9	5.6	5.7	0.3	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	5.9	5.7	5.7	0.2	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	67.3	67.1	68.1	0.2	-0.8

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 2

SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	April 2014	March 2014	April 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	578.4	578.8	573.6	-0.4	4.8
Male	312.6	314.0	306.7	-1.4	5.9
Female	265.8	264.8	266.9	1.0	-1.1
15-24 Years of Age	85.0	87.2	89.8	-2.2	-4.8
25+ Years of age	493.5	491.6	483.8	1.9	9.7
EMPLOYED ('000)	557.0	552.2	548.5	4.8	8.5
Male	299.4	299.7	292.4	-0.3	7.0
Female	257.6	252.5	256.1	5.1	1.5
15-24 Years of Age	78.9	78.8	81.3	0.1	-2.4
25+ Years of age	478.1	473.4	467.2	4.7	10.9
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	21.4	26.6	25.1	-5.2	-3.7
Male	13.2	14.3	14.3	-1.1	-1.1
Female	8.2	12.2	10.8	-4.0	-2.6
15-24 Years of Age	6.1	8.4	8.5	-2.3	-2.4
25+ Years of age	15.3	18.1	16.6	-2.8	-1.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	3.7	4.6	4.4	-0.9	-0.7
Male	4.2	4.6	4.7	-0.4	-0.5
Female	3.1	4.6	4.0	-1.5	-0.9
15-24 Years of Age	7.2	9.6	9.5	-2.4	-2.3
25+ Years of age	3.1	3.7	3.4	-0.6	-0.3
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	68.9	69.1	69.8	-0.2	-0.9
Male	74.5	75.0	75.0	-0.5	-0.5
Female	63.3	63.1	64.6	0.2	-1.3
15-24 Years of Age	62.2	63.8	65.7	-1.6	-3.5
25+ Years of age	70.2	70.1	70.6	0.1	-0.4

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TABLE 3

SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE

	April 2014	March 2014	April 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
INDUSTRY ('000)					
Agriculture	43.7	41.0	40.0	2.7	3.7
Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Oil & Gas	24.9	26.1	22.2	-1.2	2.7
Utilities	6.7	7.4	4.9	-0.7	1.8
Construction	49.2	46.7	43.7	2.5	5.5
Manufacturing	29.7	28.5	26.0	1.2	3.7
Trade	82.9	81.9	85.3	1.0	-2.4
Transportation and Warehousing	28.0	28.6	27.8	-0.6	0.2
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate & Leasing	29.7	30.8	29.0	-1.1	0.7
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	29.1	28.3	27.4	0.8	1.7
Business, Building and Other Support Services	11.6	11.4	10.8	0.2	0.8
Educational Services	45.3	45.8	50.3	-0.5	-5.0
Health Care and Social Assistance	73.1	72.4	74.8	0.7	-1.7
Information, Culture and Recreation	18.9	18.9	16.1	0.0	2.8
Accommodation and Food Services	32.8	33.0	32.7	-0.2	0.1
Other Services	22.4	21.7	27.0	0.7	-4.6
Public Administration	29.2	29.8	30.5	-0.6	-1.3
Total	557.0	552.2	548.5	4.8	8.5
HOURS OF WORK ('000)					
Full-Time	448.5	445.7	444.1	2.8	4.4
Part-Time	108.6	106.6	104.4	2.0	4.2
CLASS OF WORKER ('000)					
Employees	449.7	447.1	440.3	2.6	9.4
Public Sector	134.2	136.2	146.8	-2.0	-12.6
Private Sector	315.5	310.9	293.5	4.6	22.0
Self-Employed	107.3	105.2	108.2	2.1	-0.9

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*
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TABLE 4

CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	April 2014	March 2014	April 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
EMPLOYMENT ('000)					
Canada	17,627.9	17,548.0	17,490.1	79.9	137.8
Newfoundland & Labrador	221.1	222.0	225.8	-0.9	-4.7
Prince Edward Island	69.6	69.7	71.7	-0.1	-2.1
Nova Scotia	440.5	433.9	448.9	6.6	-8.4
New Brunswick	340.6	344.7	339.5	-4.1	1.1
Quebec	3,964.5	3,964.1	3,975.2	0.4	-10.7
Ontario	6,874.7	6,803.9	6,801.6	70.8	73.1
Manitoba	622.6	621.8	623.5	0.8	-0.9
Saskatchewan	557.0	552.2	548.5	4.8	8.5
Alberta	2,228.0	2,233.6	2,157.3	-5.6	70.7
British Columbia	2,309.1	2,302.1	2,298.1	7.0	11.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)					
Canada	7.2	7.4	7.4	-0.2	-0.2
Newfoundland & Labrador	13.7	13.1	13.7	0.6	0.0
Prince Edward Island	14.9	14.4	14.4	0.5	0.5
Nova Scotia	9.7	10.1	9.9	-0.4	-0.2
New Brunswick	12.3	11.0	12.6	1.3	-0.3
Quebec	8.4	8.6	8.6	-0.2	-0.2
Ontario	7.4	7.6	7.6	-0.2	-0.2
Manitoba	5.9	5.6	5.7	0.3	0.2
Saskatchewan	3.7	4.6	4.4	-0.9	-0.7
Alberta	5.1	5.0	4.5	0.1	0.6
British Columbia	5.7	5.8	6.4	-0.1	-0.7

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TABLE 5

CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	April 2014	March 2014	April 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
EMPLOYMENT ('000)					
Canada	17,804.3	17,833.2	17,655.1	-28.9	149.2
Newfoundland & Labrador	228.5	231.8	231.7	-3.3	-3.2
Prince Edward Island	72.9	74.1	75.0	-1.2	-2.1
Nova Scotia	448.4	447.3	456.3	1.1	-7.9
New Brunswick	350.9	356.3	348.3	-5.4	2.6
Quebec	4,015.8	4,047.8	4,020.6	-32.0	-4.8
Ontario	6,919.9	6,902.3	6,846.4	17.6	73.5
Manitoba	627.4	629.3	627.6	-1.9	-0.2
Saskatchewan	561.3	558.3	553.0	3.0	8.3
Alberta	2,258.3	2,261.2	2,186.0	-2.9	72.3
British Columbia	2,321.0	2,324.7	2,310.1	-3.7	10.9
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)					
Canada	6.9	6.9	7.2	0.0	-0.3
Newfoundland & Labrador	12.1	11.6	12.3	0.5	-0.2
Prince Edward Island	11.7	11.8	11.3	-0.1	0.4
Nova Scotia	8.9	9.3	9.0	-0.4	-0.1
New Brunswick	10.5	9.7	10.9	0.8	-0.4
Quebec	7.6	7.6	7.9	0.0	-0.3
Ontario	7.4	7.3	7.6	0.1	-0.2
Manitoba	5.9	5.7	5.7	0.2	0.2
Saskatchewan	3.4	4.5	4.0	-1.1	-0.6
Alberta	4.7	4.9	4.4	-0.2	0.3
British Columbia	5.8	5.8	6.4	0.0	-0.6

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TABLE 6

SUB-PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

(3 Month Moving Average)

	April 2014	March 2014	April 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
CANADIAN CITIES UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)					
St. John's	5.8	5.3	6.3	0.5	-0.5
Halifax	6.2	6.6	6.8	-0.4	-0.6
Saint John	7.7	7.2	9.3	0.5	-1.6
Quebec	5.3	4.9	5.2	0.4	0.1
Montreal	8.5	8.6	8.6	-0.1	-0.1
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.9	6.6	6.2	0.3	0.7
Greater Sudbury	6.4	7.2	8.2	-0.8	-1.8
Toronto	7.5	7.7	8.1	-0.2	-0.6
Winnipeg	5.9	5.7	6.0	0.2	-0.1
Regina	3.4	3.9	3.7	-0.5	-0.3
Saskatoon	4.4	4.6	3.7	-0.2	0.7
Calgary	5.4	5.0	4.8	0.4	0.6
Edmonton	4.9	4.9	4.7	0.0	0.2
Vancouver	5.4	5.8	6.8	-0.4	-1.4
Victoria	4.9	5.4	5.2	-0.5	-0.3
SASKATCHEWAN ECONOMIC REGIONS EMPLOYMENT ('000)					
Regina-Moose Mountain	174.8	173.9	172.8	0.9	2.0
Swift Current-Moose Jaw	51.3	51.0	53.3	0.3	-2.0
Saskatoon-Biggar	192.5	191.9	187.1	0.6	5.4
Yorkton-Melville	39.0	38.8	38.7	0.2	0.3
Prince Albert & Northern	96.0	95.9	95.6	0.1	0.4

Note: All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)

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TABLE 7

SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS BY ABORIGINAL IDENTITY FOR POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER

(3 Month Moving Average)

	April 2014	March 2014	April 2013	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
TOTAL POPULATION					
Labour Force ('000)	577.7	577.4	570.1	0.3	7.6
Employed ('000)	554.5	552.7	546.5	1.8	8.0
Unemployed ('000)	23.3	24.7	23.6	-1.4	-0.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.0	4.3	4.1	-0.3	-0.1
Participation Rate (%)	68.9	69.0	69.5	-0.1	-0.6
Employment Rate (%)	66.2	66.1	66.6	0.1	-0.4
NON-ABORIGINAL					
Labour Force ('000)	531.0	529.9	523.8	1.1	7.2
Employed ('000)	513.0	510.7	505.8	2.3	7.2
Unemployed ('000)	18.0	19.2	18.1	-1.2	-0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.4	3.6	3.4	-0.2	0.0
Participation Rate (%)	69.4	69.4	70.0	0.0	-0.6
Employment Rate (%)	67.1	66.9	67.6	0.2	-0.5
ABORIGINAL					
Labour Force ('000)	46.8	47.5	46.2	-0.7	0.6
Employed ('000)	41.5	42.0	40.7	-0.5	0.8
Unemployed ('000)	5.3	5.6	5.6	-0.3	-0.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.3	11.7	12.0	-0.4	-0.7
Participation Rate (%)	63.7	64.8	64.2	-1.1	-0.5
Employment Rate (%)	56.5	57.2	56.5	-0.7	0.0
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Labour Force ('000)	18.0	18.5	18.0	-0.5	0.0
Employed ('000)	15.2	15.4	14.8	-0.2	0.4
Unemployed ('000)	2.8	3.1	3.2	-0.3	-0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	15.6	16.7	17.8	-1.1	-2.2
Participation Rate (%)	55.6	57.5	56.8	-1.9	-1.2
Employment Rate (%)	47.0	47.8	46.7	-0.8	0.3
MÉTIS					
Labour Force ('000)	28.6	28.8	28.3	-0.2	0.3
Employed ('000)	26.1	26.4	25.9	-0.3	0.2
Unemployed ('000)	2.5	2.5	2.4	0.0	0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.7	8.5	8.4	0.2	0.3
Participation Rate (%)	69.9	70.5	70.0	-0.6	-0.1
Employment Rate (%)	63.8	64.5	64.2	-0.7	-0.4

Notes:

1. The Labour Force Survey collects data on the Saskatchewan civilian, non-institutional, off-reserve population. Beginning in April 2004, questions were added to the survey allowing for the self-identification of Aboriginal identity for Saskatchewan respondents.
2. The North American Indian and Métis categories are single responses only. 'Other' is omitted due to insufficient responses.
3. All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)
4. Caution should be used when interpretting results. Small sample sizes can result in large standard errors.

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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